This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1.   (Currently Amended) A collaborative computing method for the establishment of a named collaborative space, the method comprising:

providing a named <u>collaborative</u> space defining a work place within the collaborative computing environment <u>and configured to manage a plurality of business process components disposed within the named space in a one-to-many relationship</u>;

identifying a membership set for the <u>named</u> collaborative space, the membership set including one or more members; ~~and~~

providing <u>a plurality of</u> ~~at least one~~ business process<u> component instances</u> ~~accessible within~~ <u>for management within</u> the named <u>collaborative</u> space<u>; and,</u>

<u>managing a common lifecycle for each of the named collaborative space and the business process components within the named collaborative space.</u>

2.   (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 1, wherein the ~~at least one~~ business process <u>component instances</u> ~~is~~ <u>are</u> business instance portlet<u>s</u>.

3.   (Original)   The method of Claim 1, wherein the members of membership set

for the collaborative space are assigned a role, the role defining access and permission

privileges to the at least one business process.

4.   (Original)   The method of Claim 1, wherein the established named

collaborative space is templatable to serve as the basis for the establishment of other

named collaborative spaces.

5.   (Original)   The method of Claim 1, wherein the established named

collaborative space is provisionable from other named collaborative spaces.

6.   (Original)   The method of Claim 2, further comprising transferring

information between the business component instance and the named collaborative space,

the information being transferred using an enterprise java bean.

7.   (Original)   The method according to Claim 1, further including assigning a

policy to the named space.

8.   (Currently Amended) A computer-readable storage medium storing a computer

program which when executed performs a method for establishing a collaborative

computing named collaborative space, the method comprising:

providing a named <u>collaborative</u> space defining a work place within the

collaborative computing environment<u> and configured to manage a plurality of business</u>

<u>process components disposed within the named space in a one-to-many relationship</u>;

identifying a membership set for the <u>named</u> collaborative space, the membership

set including one or more members;~~and~~

providing <u>a plurality of</u> ~~at least one~~ business process<u> component instances</u>

~~accessible within~~ <u>for management within</u> the named <u>collaborative</u> space<u>; and,</u>

<u>managing a common lifecycle for each of the named collaborative space and the</u>

<u>business process components within the named collaborative space.</u>

9.   (Currently Amended) The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 8,

wherein the ~~at least one~~ business process <u>component instances</u> ~~is~~<u>are</u> business instance

portlet<u>s</u>.

10.   (Original)   The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 8, wherein the

members of membership set for the collaborative space are assigned a role, the role

defining access and permission privileges to the at least one business process.

11.   (Original)   The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 8, wherein the

established named collaborative space is templatable to serve as the basis for the

establishment of other named collaborative spaces.

12.   (Original)   The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 8, wherein the established named collaborative space is provisionable from other named collaborative spaces.

13.   (Original)   The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 9, wherein the method performed by the stored computer program when executed further includes transferring information between the business component instance and the named collaborative space, the information being transferred using an enterprise java bean.

14.   (Original)   The computer-readable storage medium of Claim 8, wherein the method performed by the stored computer program when executed further includes assigning a policy to the named space.

15.   (Currently Amended) A system providing a named collaborative space in a collaborative computing environment, the system comprising a computer having:

a database, the database storing:

a membership set for the named collaborative space, the membership set identifying one or more members; and

data corresponding to a named collaborative space defining a place within the collaborative computing environment; and

a central processing unit functioning to provide at least one plurality of business process component instances accessible within the named collaborative space in a one-to-

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many relationship, the central processing unit in operative communication with the database.

16. (Original) The system of Claim 15, wherein the at least one business process is a business instance portlet.

17. (Original) The system of Claim 15, wherein the database further stores role data, members of membership set for the collaborative space being assigned a role based on corresponding role data, the role data defining access and permission privileges to the at least one business process.

18. (Original) The system of Claim 15, wherein the named collaborative space is templatable to serve as the basis for the establishment of other named collaborative spaces.

19. (Original) The system of Claim 15, wherein the named collaborative space is provisionable from other named collaborative spaces.